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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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The communication filed 13 August 2001 is not fully responsive to the Office communication mailed 31 July 2001 for the following reason(s): The amendment presented claims that are not in the proper format as required by 37 CFR 1.121(c). In particular, the amendment specifically instructs the Office to enter claims that comprise brackets and underlining. Pursuant to the rule change, only clean claims (claims void of the bracketing and underlining) are to be entered. A marked up copy of the claims is to be presented as an attachment.

Since the reply appears to be bona fide attempt to comply with the requirements of the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825), applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH from the mailing date of this communication within which to correct the deficiency so as to comply with the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825) in order to avoid abandonment of the application under 37 CFR 1.821(g). EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Bradley L. Sisson whose telephone number is (703) 308-3978. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday from between the hours of 6:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, W. Gary Jones, can be reached on (703) 308-1152. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 305-7230.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1234.

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